Educational Policies Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 14, 2023 12:00 PM-1:00 PM

In Attendance:
Co-chairs: Andrea Need, O'Neill School;   Katie Silvester
Brian Winterman, Libraries   English
Mehmet Dalkilic   Greg Siering
Luddy School of Informatics   CITL
Barbara Hocevar   Vasti Torres
Public Health   Vice Provost for Undergrad Education (Ex
Nancy Magill   offico)
Biology

1. Approve minutes from November meeting; attached
2. Proposed changes re: Maximizing Classroom Usage and Updating the Bloomington
   Calendar Principles Policy (ACA-H21) (David Johnson/Mike Carroll) 25 minutes; 2
   attachments

   David Johnson (Enrollment Management) and Mike Carroll (Registrar) presented a
   proposal to change policy regarding passing time between classes to 20 minutes. There is
   a need to compress day to allow more courses to be offered and also a need to update
   policy to reflect current policy. It was agreed that the change should be made and voted
   on at the next meeting. A separate part of the policy deals with certain holidays and that
   will be dealt with later as a separate issue. There was a recommendation to work with the
   President's office regarding holidays and course schedules in the future.

3. Update on changes to reporting misconduct and the definition of cheating (Andrea) 5
   minutes

   Andrea provided a brief update and Lana added that other faculty officers have been
   contacted and a proposal to change the policy is forthcoming.

4. Updates from Vasti Torres 20 minutes
   Vasti reported that the FYS (First Year Seminar) is being reviewed by deans and that
   feedback is being gathered. There will be a pilot in the fall that will include instructor
   training. There was also a brief update regarding potential academic advising policy
   changes (mandatory advising and student/advisor ratios).

5. Update on Online Course Questionnaire Task Force Report (Andrea & Brian) 5 minutes

   Andrea recapped the BFC Executive Committee's suggested route for next steps, and we
   agreed with this suggested route:
                          1. Loop in Student Affairs Committee and Faculty Affairs Committee
                             with a set of questions, such as:

      a. Could you please circulate the report to your committee?
      b. Could you make recommendations based on your committee feedback?

2. Then we could synthesize recommendations, along with our own.